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AFDROUGHT

SUBJECT: FOOD FOR SAHEL REGION UPPER VOLTA.

1. OSRO/DABELL ADVISES QUOTE:

A. SECRETARY STATE PLAN AND SUBCOMMITTEE FOR DROUGHT STATE THERE WILL BE FOOD SHORTAGES IN SAHEL UNLESS SOME SOME SEVEN THOUSAND ADDITIONAL TONS NOW AVAILABLE IN ORDS IN FOOD SURPLUS ARE CAN BE PREPOSITIONED. THEY STATE GOUV LACK FUNDS FOR TRANSPORT WHICH WILL COST ABOUT \$200,000 AT PRESENT COMMERCIAL RATES.

B. PRESENT RESERVES IN SAHEL ARE OSRO/FRG SECURITY STOCK OF ABOUT 6000 TONS AND SOME 2000 TONS OF DROUGHT SUBCOMMITTEE STOCKS. OFNACER HAS MOVED IN SMALL SUPPLIES FOR SALE. GOUV AUTHORIZING FREE DISTRIBUTION FROM RESERVE STOCKS THESE DAYS.

C. IN REVIEWING SITUATION AT GENERAL MEETING WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF FAC, FED, FRG, USAID AND OTHERS, THE CONSENSUS WAS THAT MORE FOOD WAS REQUIRED IN SAHEL TO PROVIDE SECURITY AND THAT ASSISTANCE WITH TRANSPORT WAS KEY FACTOR. ALL AGREED THERE WAS ENOUGH FOOD IN COUNTRY TO MEET THIS YEAR'S NEEDS.

D. OSRO HAS EXPENDED ALL FRG FUNDS AVAILABLE FOR UPPER VOLTA PROGRAM. USAID OUAGADOUGOU HAS REQUESTED WASHINGTON TO SUPPORT TRANSPORT. OSRO AND DONOR REPRESENTATIVES CONTACTED HERE FULLY ENDORSE SUCH SUPPORT. GRATEFUL INFORM AID WASHINGTON  
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AND PLEASE INFORM BMZ OF GOVERNMENT AND DONORS APPRECIATION

OF LOCAL PURCHASE PROJECT WHICH IS MOST VALUABLE CONTRIBUTION  
TO THE SECURITY OF THE DESTITUTE OF THE SAHEL. UNQUOTE.VOLPE

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